

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reexamination of the captioned application is respectfully requested.

A. SUMMARY OF THIS AMENDMENT

By the current amendment, Applicants basically:

1. Thank the Examiner for the allowance of claims 9, 10, 20, 21, 25, 35 and 36.
2. Thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 3, 4, 14, 15, 23, 29, and 30.
3. Include the limitations of allowable dependent claim 3 (and dependent claim 2) into independent claim 1.
4. Include the limitations of allowable dependent claim 14 (and dependent claim 12) into independent claim 11.
5. Include the limitations of allowable dependent claim 29 (and dependent claim 28) into independent claim 26.
6. Rewrite claim 22 as an independent claim including the limitations of allowable claim 23.
7. Amend the dependencies of claims 4, 13, 15, 16, 18, 22, 30, and 33.
8. Cancel claims 3, 12, 14, 23, 28, and 29 without prejudice or disclaimer.
9. Advise the examiner of a July 25, 2006 submission of an IDS citing references cited in an April 25, 2006 U.S. Office Action in a co-pending application.
10. Respectfully traverse all prior art rejections.

B. MISCELLANEOUS

In view of the foregoing and other considerations, all claims are deemed in condition for allowance. A formal indication of allowability is earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account #14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of these papers and the continued pendency of the captioned application.

Should the Examiner feel that an interview with the undersigned would facilitate allowance of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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